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**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

Application Number: 09/885,761
Filing Date: June 19, 2001
First Named Inventor: Kuwazawa
Group Art Unit: 2812
Examiner Name: Isaac, Stanetta D.
Atty Docket Number: 15.44/5852

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. **NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000.**

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. Consider the amendment(s) reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on ☐
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ☐
 - iii. Other ☐
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s) Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other ☐

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Fee of \$ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.)
- b. ☐ Other

3. Fees

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0585.
- i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other
- b. ☒ A check in the amount of \$750 is enclosed. If necessary for consideration of this RCE, please charge any necessary fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0585.
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed.)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED

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Date *Aug. 22, 2003*

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In re the Application of:
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Serial No. 09 885,761

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For: METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES AND
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

Group Art Unit: 2812

Examiner: Isaac, Stanetta D.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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| INDEP CLAIMS * | 2 | MINUS 3 | = | 0 | x | \$42 | OR x 84 \$0 |
| FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | | | + | \$ OR + 280 \$0 |
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☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2003, the response due by Aug. 22, 2003, applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination together with this Amendment. Please enter and consider the following:

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